

## Clay County Board Minutes



## **COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, May 29, 2012 at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met May 29, 2012 as per public notice given in the Clay County News on May 23, 2012 a copy of the proof of publication being on file in the County Clerk's Office. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice of the meeting. Chairman Fintel presided with roll call showing the following present: Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel; absent: Schmidt. Minutes of the meeting held May 22, 2012 were mailed to the board members. All of the proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Chairman, Ivan Fintel stated that the open meeting law poster is posted on the west wall in the back of the room.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Johnson to approve the minutes of the meeting held May 22, 2012 as mailed. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Johnson, Shaw, Nuss and Fintel; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

There was no public input.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent discussed a problem with corn stalks and silt being placed in a ditch. This will be discussed later with the County Attorney. Tom reported that the project along the county line on Road A should be completed by the middle of next week. The rock has been crushed, building bids will be going out next week and he will get the figures to the budget preparer on the estimated cost per mile of overlay for the next budget.

The road work report was distributed. Motion by Anderson and seconded by Samuelson to approve the Highway Superintendent's road work report for the month of May 2012. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Johnson, Shaw, Nuss, Samuelson and Fintel; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

The purchase of a back hoe and pickups were discussed. Other equipment needs were also discussed. It was decided to wait awhile to purchase the pickups.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Anderson to advertise for bids for a back hoe. Bids to be opened July 24, 2012 at 9:30 A.M. On roll call, yea: Johnson, Shaw, Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson and Fintel; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

Mowing of county property in Fairfield was discussed. The City of Fairfield will be contacted.

Bruce Rumsey, Weed Superintendent reported that he has done 90 inspections with 28 of those still needing to be brought into compliance. 450 miles of right of way have been sprayed. There will be a tire recycling at the Fairgrounds on August 17<sup>th</sup> and another household hazardous waste collection will be done sometime this year. Increasing the contribution to the RC&D was discussed. Issues with the pickup and spray equipment were brought up. The board told Bruce to add those items into the new budget.

Travis Songster, Custodian reported on water in the service building; the problem has been fixed. The parking areas have been painted in the parking lot, loose concrete has been patched and the eagle on the flag pole is being repaired.



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Jeff Franklin, County Sheriff reported that the new car is in Lincoln and he will pick it up on June 1<sup>st</sup>. Jeff reported on the training he attended in Kearney last week. The roof on the Sheriff's building needs to be repaired; this will be included in next year's budget.

Jan Stratman, County Treasurer told the board of her plans for new cabinets, counter tops and pull down doors. The work will be done in stages over the next two budget cycles.

At 10:30 A.M. the bids for the sidewalk repair were opened. Travis Songster and Andy Leichlieter were also present. Bids were received from: Ace Concrete, Inc. \$39514.50; AAA Best Concrete \$43058.00; Leichleiter Construction \$56819.00. The bids were discussed; it was decided to talk to the County Attorney before proceeding.

Larry Gray asked if there was any county owned property in Clay Center that the board would be willing to sell. There is none at this time.

The board discussed the information received from Benefit Management and BCBS. There may be a need to look into other options in the future but for now BCBS is the best option for employee health insurance.

Ted Griess, County Attorney looked over the bids and discussed options with the board. It was decided to reject all bids. The situation with the stalks in the ditch was discussed. Ted will notify the landowner of their options. Skip annexation of property was discussed; Ted will prepare a resolution for a future board meeting.

Motion by Nuss and seconded by Anderson to reject all the bids for the Courthouse and Sheriff's sidewalk repair and the repair of the Courthouse driveway. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson, Johnson and Fintel; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

The vision plan rates did not increase but benefits covered did increase in some areas. Motion by Nuss and seconded by Johnson to have the county clerk sign the renewal. On roll call, yea: Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

The clerk presented a couple of forms that the auditor has suggested be used for mileage reimbursement. It was decided to notify all employees that they need to use the new forms beginning July 1, 2012.

The board was asked if they would consider any claims at the first meeting in June to allow expenditures before the end of the fiscal year. It was decided that claims for large items that were being purchased but did not get delivered by the May claims deadline could be submitted at the June 12<sup>th</sup> meeting for payment before the end of the fiscal year.

Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Nuss to adjourn this meeting at 12:15 P.M.; next meeting scheduled for June 12, 2012. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Johnson, Shaw, Nuss and Fintel; absent: Schmidt. Motion carried.

Deborah Karnatz, County Clerk

Ivan Fintel, Chairman



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